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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

9-28-15

Call to order

Trustee Cazier called meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

Present: Trustees Kyle Smith, and Russell Cazier. Absent Chair Klahn

Also present: DPW Mark A. Langer.

Approve minutes from 8/25/15

Cazier said to send minutes to board for approval since he wasn't present at that meeting.

LRIP Application

The committee was asked to approve filling out the 2016-2017 Biennial Local Roads Improvement Program application for spot curb and gutter replacement and mill and repaving on S. Kerch St., Hilltop Circle, and Hilltop Court. Langer said that there is \$53803.04 available but it is voted on by the MSILT Committee, so we may not get it. The Village received some of these funds several years ago but did not receive any for the 2014-2015 program.

Langer said that Straka and he walked the area the other day and some rough figure's for this would be \$80,000.00. Langer said there also is \$12,000.00 in the Villages matching road funds. If the Village received some or all of this the rest would have to come from the budget.

The committee discussed the underground utilities with Langer stating that yes they should be updated but that would mean a lot higher costs with the street's all getting a major reconstruction. If/when the business complex is in need of additional water main looping then it would have to be done. The committee didn't see that being needed within the next 5-10 years so why not try for these funds and improve the roads for the residents that live in the area.

Smith moved, second Cazier to apply for the LRIP funds as discussed for S. Kerch, and both Hilltops. Motion carried.

Legion Park entrance/exit

The committee was given a map of a possible driveway route that might work if property could be purchased or an easement obtained. Also was a price for moving the large playground at \$13,850.00+, if the route went over existing playground area property.

Langer suggested that there would be safety issues with the existing property driveway option because everyone would have to cross a driveway to get to the Pavilion or Bathrooms from the Tennis Ct., Ball diamond, Volley ball Ct and new playground area.

Cazier asked what the driveway would cost. Langer said it depended on how well it was constructed (amount of base material, width, gravel or paved, etc...). Langer was asked to get an estimate on this. The committee agreed that this should go to Safety and Recreation Committee's for further discussion

Skag Mower

Langer said that the dealer that sold us the mower a year ago said they would trade it out for a new one for \$1250.00. They also said they would trade every year in the future for \$1250.00 As long as the hours didn't exceed 200. Any hours over 200 would be an additional \$10.00 each in the trade price. Langer estimates we put on 275-300 hours per year. There is \$1000.00 allotted in the mower replacement budget every year so \$250.00 would have to be taken from other areas. Langer said the mower is used at the Wells and the WWTP so he should be able to find the \$250.00 in the three department's budgets.

Smith moved to have Public Works trade the mower for \$1250.00 with the existing mower fund of \$1000.00 and the \$250.00 from other funds, and to revisit the dealers proposal next year. Second by Cazier and carried.

2016 Budget discussion

Langer had a price for the 1999 ford pickup replacement as requested which was \$32,098.00+, and plow/equipment was \$9638.00. The dealer offered \$1250.00 - \$1500.00 trade for the one we are driving. The committee agreed that if that's all they will give on trade we might as well keep as the backup (plow and all) and buy a half ton that gets better mileage. The ford needs tires before winter.

Langer said that he keeps hearing there is no money, and was wondering if things like unrequired memberships, seminars, and conventions are being asked to be cut. Langer has an APWA yearly membership due right now for \$194.00, do they want to renew this? After discussion the committee said this should be renewed. Smith stated that these things can be important and may provide important networking. Smith also said memberships like with WRWA are good because they have equipment and sources that come in handy. Langer said he hasn't been to for a while, and was planning on going to the WRWA convention next year.

Langer said he saw that wages and insurance are on the Board meeting tonight and was wondering if he could give a recommendation for Public Works employees? Smith said yes go ahead. Langer said with all the cuts since Act 10 to the employee's bottom line that he suggests a cost of living increase and keep the Insurance status quo with no increase out of the employees' wages. With being turned down the last two years for the fourth employee the crews work load is getting stretched further and further.

Utilities Report

Noted items: Hydrant extension installed, hydrants were flushed and serviced, issue at N. Kerch St Lift station again, didn't meet DNR Permit phosphorous monthly limits, and electrical components getting brittle-frail-dusty had issue with VFD control.

Public Works Report

Noted items: 2016 UFG sent in, WISLR Local Road documents sent in, cleaned out building on new lot, no burials, urinal repair, and staining/painting at Smithfield Park.

Next Meeting

Next meeting will be Tuesday October 27, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn

Smith moved to adjourn at 6:28 pm. Second by Cazier and carried.

Respectfully submitted- Mark A. Langer, Public Works Director – 608-455-1842